

Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	08/963,239	GOUGH ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Michael Peffley	3739	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

- (1) Michael Peffley. (3) _____
 (2) Joel Harris. (4) _____

Date of Interview: 08 November 2000.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
 c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
 If Yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: 45 and 46.

Identification of prior art discussed: LeVeen and Edwards.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

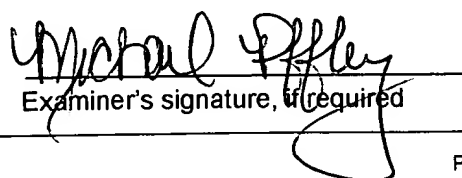
Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.


 Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The examiner maintained that the specification failed to specifically teach the use of sensors to define the tumor periphery. Rather, the examiner contends the sensors merely show an ablation volume. Applicant will further review the specification for support. The examiner agreed that defining the particular ablation shape as being the same regardless of deployment length of the electrodes would lend to distinguishing over the prior art. This language was used in related application Serial No. 09/148,571. Applicant must show support for adding this limitation. The examiner agrees the prior art of record does not show sensors for the detection of a tumor boundary as set forth in claim 46, should applicant indicate sufficient support for this limitation.